

The Honorable Barbara J. Rothstein

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

DEKA AHMED ABDULE and BASHIR MOHAMED HASHI.

Plaintiffs.

Case No. 2:21-cv-01558-BJR

STIPULATION AND ORDER FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

V.

UR MENDOZA JADDOU, Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services; THOMAS SMITHAM, Charges d’Affairs of the United States Embassy in Rome, Italy; ANTONY J. BLINKEN, United States Secretary of State, United States Department of State; ALEJANDRO MAYORKAS, Secretary of Department of Homeland Security;

Defendants.

Plaintiffs and Federal Defendants, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move for an extension of 45 days for Defendants to respond to the Complaint. The Court had previously extended the response date until May 2, 2022, and stayed initial scheduling dates.

A court may modify a deadline for good cause. Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b). Continuing pretrial and trial dates is within the discretion of the trial judge. See *King v. State of California*, 784 F.2d 910, 912 (9th Cir. 1986). The underlying facts continue to evolve and there is a

1 significant likelihood that the matter could either become moot or the parties are able to resolve
2 it without the need for litigation. Therefore, the parties believe good cause exists for a brief stay
3 to save the Court and the parties from spending unnecessary time and resources on it.

4 The parties also agree that this case is exempt from initial disclosures and will submit a
5 Joint Proposed Case Plan within thirty days of the latest answer deadline (i.e. June 2, 2022), as
6 directed in the Initial Scheduling Order, Dkt. No. 15.

7 In light of the above, the parties jointly stipulate and request that the Court:

- 8 1. Extend Defendants' time to respond to Plaintiffs' Complaint to June 16, 2022.

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10 Stipulated to and presented this 2nd day of May, 2022.

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ORDER

The parties having stipulated and agreed, it is hereby so ORDERED.

DATED this 2nd day of May, 2022.

Barbara Rothstein

Barbara Jacobs Rothstein
U.S. District Court Judge